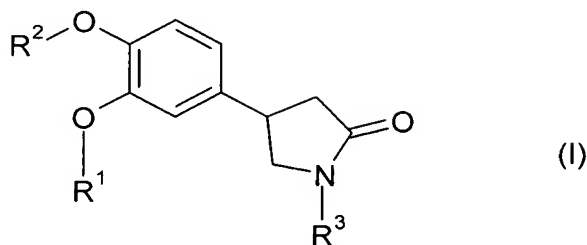


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A compound of Formula I:



wherein

R¹ is alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, alkoxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

arylalkenyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, wherein the alkenyl portion has up to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations

thereof, or

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

R² is alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R³ is -C(O)R⁴, -(CH₂)_nC(O)R⁴, -(CH₂)_nOR⁵, -(CH₂)_nSR⁵, -(CH₂)_nSO₂R⁴, -(CH₂)_nNR⁵R⁶, -CH₂CO₂R⁵, -CH₂CONR⁶R⁵, -CH₂CONHR⁵, -(CH₂)_nNR⁶SO₂R⁴, -(CH₂)_nNR⁶COR⁴, or -CH₂CONHSO₂R⁴;

R⁴ is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy,

ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof; and

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more

CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by –CH=CH- or –C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more –CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by –CH=CH- or –C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more –CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by –CH=CH- or –C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one

or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations

thereof;

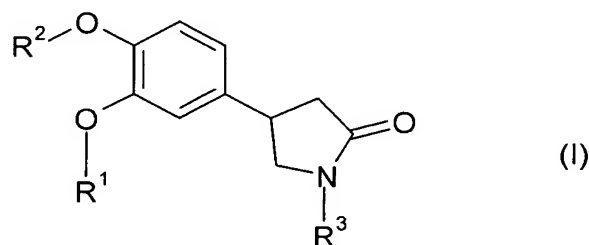
n is 0 to 4;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

with the proviso that:

at least one R⁴ or R⁵ is an alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups.

2. (Original) A compound of Formula I:



wherein

R¹ is alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, alkoxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

arylalkenyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, wherein the alkenyl portion has up to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof, or

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

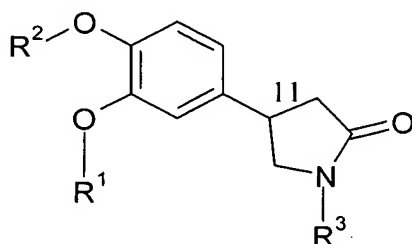
R^2 is alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R^3 is arylalkyl having 7 to 16 carbon atoms which is substituted in the aryl portion by phenyl and optionally further substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof; and

n is 0 to 4; and

pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

3. (Original) A compound of Formula I:



(I)

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wherein

R¹ is alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acylox, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, alkoxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof ,

arylalkenyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, wherein the alkenyl portion has up to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof, or

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

R² is alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R³ is

-C(O)R⁴, -(CH₂)_nC(O)R⁴, -(CH₂)_nOR⁵, -(CH₂)_nSR⁵, -(CH₂)_nSO₂R⁴, -(CH₂)_nNR⁵R⁶, -CH₂CO₂R⁵, -CH₂CONR⁶R⁵, -CH₂CONHR⁵, -(CH₂)_nNR⁶SO₂R⁴, -(CH₂)_nNR⁶COR⁴, or -CH₂CONHSO₂R⁴;

R⁴ is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy,

acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof; and

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by

halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more CH_2CH_2 - groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ - groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl,

cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted

one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom (e.g., 3-thienyl, 2-thienyl, 3-tetrahydrofuran), which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof;

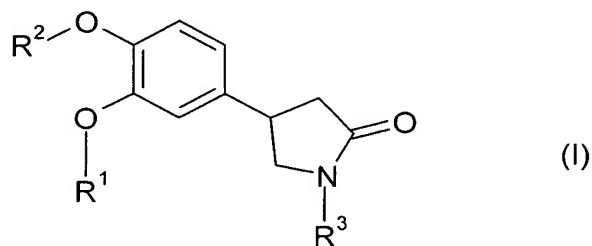
n is 0 to 4; and

pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof

with the proviso that:

at least one of R^4 and R^5 in formula I is aryl substituted by alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, or halogenated arylsulphonamido, arylalkyl which is substituted by aminosulphonyl, or a heterocyclic group which is substituted one or more times by alkoxyalkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, halogenated alkoxy, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof.

4. (Original) A compound of Formula I:



wherein

R^1 is alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more $-CH_2CH_2-$ groups are replaced in each case by $-CH=CH-$ or $-C\equiv C-$ groups,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more $-CH_2CH_2-$ groups are replaced in each case by $-CH=CH-$ or $-C\equiv C-$ groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, alkoxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof,

arylalkenyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, wherein the alkenyl portion has up to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino,

dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof, or

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

R^2 is alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R^3 is H,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more CH_2CH_2 - groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more CH_2CH_2 - groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 7 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenyl, phenoxy, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms,

$-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}^4$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}^4$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{OR}^5$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{SR}^5$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{SO}_2\text{R}^4$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NR}^5\text{R}^6$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{R}^5$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONR}^6\text{R}^5$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONHR}^5$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NR}^6\text{SO}_2\text{R}^4$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NR}^6\text{COR}^4$, or $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONHSO}_2\text{R}^4$;

R^4 is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or

S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof; and

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl,

alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more CH_2CH_2 - groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ - groups are replaced in each case by $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-$ or $-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF_3 , OCF_3 , alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy,

alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof;

n is 0 or 1; and

pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof;

with the proviso that:

(a) when R^2 is CH_3 and R^3 is H, then R^1 is not methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, sec-butyl, n-butyl, isobutyl, neopentyl, n-pentyl, 2-methylbutyl, isopentyl, n-hexyl, phenyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cyclopentenyl, methylcyclopentyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyclopentylmethyl, 2-propenyl, 2-propynyl, 3-methyl-2-butenyl, N-substituted 2-piperazinyloethyl, norbornyl, 3-tetrahydrofuryl, 2-tetrahydrofuryl, 3-tetrahydrothienyl, 2-oxacyclopropyl, 2-oxacyclopentyl, 3-oxacyclopentyl, 2-chloroethyl, 2-bromoethyl, 2,2,2-trifluoroethyl, 3-bromopropyl, 3-chloropropyl, or 4-bromobutyl;

(b) when R^1 is cyclopentyl, and R^2 is methyl, then R^3 is not H, acetyl, benzyl, 4-hydroxybenzyl, 4-acetoxybenzyl, 4-bromobenzyl,

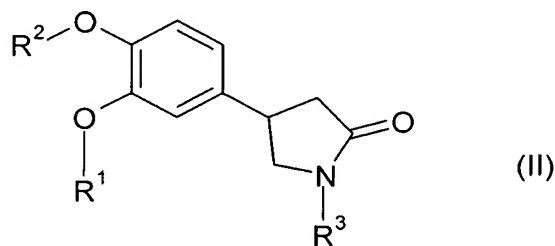
3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 4-methylthiobenzyl, 4-cyanobenzyl, 2-aminobenzyl, 3-aminobenzyl, 4-aminobenzyl, 4-dimethylaminobenzyl, 2,4-diaminobenzyl, 4-amino-3,5-dimethoxybenzyl, 3-carboxybenzyl, 3-methoxycarbonylbenzyl, 4-methoxycarbonylbenzyl, 4-methylsulfinylbenzyl, 4-methylsulfonylbenzyl, 2-nitrobenzyl, 3-nitrobenzyl, 4-nitrobenzyl, 2,4-dinitrobenzyl, 2-nitro-4-aminobenzyl, 2-amino-4-nitrobenzyl, morpholinoethyl, 2-pyridylmethyl, 3-pyridylmethyl, 4-pyridylmethyl, 4-(6-fluoroquinolyl)methyl, 2-(7-chloroquinolyl)methyl, 2-imidazolylmethyl, or substituted imidazolylmethyl;

(c) when R^1 is CH_3 , and R^3 is H, then R^2 is not methyl, ethyl, or butyl;

(d) when R^3 is H, then R^1 and R^2 are not both ethyl or isobutyl; and

(e) when R^1 and R^2 are both difluoromethyl, then R^3 is not 4-aminobenzyl, or 4-amino-3,5-dimethoxybenzyl.

5. (Original) A compound of Formula II:



wherein

R¹ is alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 8 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a partially unsaturated carbocyclic group having 5 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, alkoxy, nitro, cyano, oxo, or combinations thereof ,

arylalkenyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, wherein the alkenyl portion has up to 5 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof, or

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

R² is alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen;

R³ is $-(CH_2)_nOR^5$, $-(CH_2)_nSR^5$, $-(CH_2)_nSO_2R^4$, $-(CH_2)_nNR^5R^6$, $-CH_2CO_2R^5$, $-CH_2CONR^6R^5$, $-(CH_2)_nNR^6SO_2R^4$, $-(CH_2)_nNR^6COR^4$, or $-CH_2CONHSO_2R^4$;

R⁴ is alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated,

having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof; and

R⁵ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, alkylsulphonamido, arylsulphonamido, halogenated arylsulphonamido, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, halogenated alkoxy, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, aminosulphonyl, heterocycle, heterocyclic-alkyl, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof

and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof;

R⁶ is H,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkyl having 1 to 12 carbon atoms which is substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

alkoxyalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, or combinations thereof wherein optionally one or more -CH₂CH₂- groups are replaced in each case by -CH=CH- or -C≡C- groups,

cycloalkyl having 3 to 8 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl, or combinations thereof,

cycloalkylalkyl having 4 to 16 carbon atoms which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, oxo, alkyl or combinations thereof,

aryl having 6 to 14 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy, ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof,

arylalkyl having 8 to 16 carbon atoms, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, CF₃, OCF₃, alkyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, nitro, methylenedioxy,

ethylenedioxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyalkoxy, carboxy, cyano, acyl, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl, phenoxy, acylamido, and acyloxy, or combinations thereof;

a heterocyclic group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is a N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, or combinations thereof, or

a heterocyclic-alkyl group, which is saturated, partially saturated or fully unsaturated, having 5 to 10 ring atoms in which at least 1 ring atom is an N, O or S atom, which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times in the heterocyclic portion by halogen, aryl, alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, halogenated alkyl, nitro, oxo, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino, carboxy or combinations thereof and/or substituted in the alkyl portion by halogen, oxo, cyano, or combinations thereof,

wherein if R^3 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONR}^6\text{R}^5$, R^6 is other than H;

n is 0 to 4; and

pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

6. (Original) A compound selected from:

- 4-[4-Methoxy-3-(4-methoxyphenoxy)phenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
- 4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3-thienyloxy)phenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
- 4-[3-(4-Fluorophenoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

4-(3-(3-Cyclohexyl-1-propyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(4-Methoxy-3-(2-phenylethoxy)phenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3-phenyl-1-propoxy)phenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-chloro-4-fluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methoxycarbonylmethyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-cyanomethyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-cyclopentyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4(S)-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-(6-methylpyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 1-(N-(2,3-Difluorophenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-4(S)-(4-methoxy-3-(3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxy)phenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4(S)-(4-Methoxy-3-3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-methylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4(S)-(4-Methoxy-3-3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-(6-methylpyridinyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone, and

physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein in each case the compound can be in the form of a mixture of enantiomers such as the racemate or a mixture of diastereomers, or can be in the form of a single enantiomer or a single diastereomer.

7. (Original) A compound selected from:

(4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-methylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-(2-Chlorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-(4-Chlorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-(3-Chlorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3-methoxybenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-fluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3-fluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(4-fluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-(4-Cyanobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-trifluoromethylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3-trifluoromethylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(4-trifluoromethylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3,4-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3,5-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2,4-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2,6-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2,3-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-(2-Chloro-4-fluorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-(4-*tert*-Butylbenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-ethyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-propyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-butyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-methoxyethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-phenylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-methylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-1-(2-Chlorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-1-(4-Chlorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-1-(3-Chlorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3-methoxybenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-fluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3-fluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(4-fluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-trifluoromethylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3-trifluoromethylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(4-trifluoromethylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

(4R)-1-(3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3,4-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3,5-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2,4-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2,6-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2,3-difluorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-1-(2-Chloro-4-fluorobenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-1-(4-*tert*-Butylbenzyl)-4-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-ethyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-propyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-butyl-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-methoxyethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(2-phenylbenzyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-
 2-pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-
 2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-methylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-
 pyrrolidone,
 (4R)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-methylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-
 pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-methylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-
 pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2,3-difluorophenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-
 pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(3-chlorophenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-
 2-pyrrolidone,
 4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(4-pyridyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(4-chloro-2-fluorophenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(3-methylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(4-methylphenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(4-nitrophenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2,3-difluorophenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4(S)-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-(6-methylpyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4(S)-(4-Methoxy-3-(3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxy)phenyl)-1-(N-(2-(6-methylpyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

1-(N-(2,3-Difluorophenyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-4(S)-(4-methoxy-3-(3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxy)phenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

1-(N-(2-(6-Aminopyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-4(S)-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4(S)-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-(6-ethylpyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4(S)-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-(4,6-dimethylpyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

1-(N-(2-(6-Bromopyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-4(S)-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

1-(N-(2-(6-Bromopyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-4(S)-(4-methoxy-3-(3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxy)phenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

4(S)-(4-Methoxy-3-(3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxy)phenyl)-1-(N-(2-methylphenyl)-

aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4(S)-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(3-(2-methoxypyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 1-(N-(6-(3-Bromo-2-methylpyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-4(S)-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4(S)-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(3-(4-methoxycarbonyl)-pyridyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4(S)-(3-Cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(N-(2-(6-methylpyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 1-(N-(3-(2-Cyanopyridyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-4(S)-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 4(S)-(4-Methoxy-3-(3(R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxy)phenyl)-1-(N-(2-(6-methylpyridinyl))-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone, and

physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein in each case the compound can be in the form of a mixture of enantiomers such as the racemate, or a mixture of diastereomers, or can be in the form of a single enantiomer or a single diastereomer.

8. (Original) A compound selected from:

(4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone-1-acetic acid,
 (4S)-1-(N-Methoxycarbonylmethyl)-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-methylphenyl)-(N-methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-(6-methylpyridyl)-(N-methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2,3-Difluorophenyl)-(N-methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(phenylaminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4,5-Dimethylthiazol)-2-yl]aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(3-Chlorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(3-methoxycarbonylphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(3-phenpropyl)]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-phenoxyethyl)]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-phenthioethyl)]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-(N-phensulfonylaminocarbonylmethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2,3-Difluorophenyl-(N-ethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2,3-Difluorophenyl-(N-isopropyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2,3-Difluorophenyl-(N-cyclopropylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(4-Carboxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(3-Fluorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-thiazolyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(4-Methoxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(4-Isopropylphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-(4-trifluoromethyl)pyridyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(3-Carboxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-phenylsulfonyl)ethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-methylphenyl)sulfonylaminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(2-(4-methoxyphenyl)oxyethyl)]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2-(5-Chlorobenzoxazolyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2-(Benzthiazolyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2-(6-Fluorobenzthiazolyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(2-(Benzimidazolyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)]-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone, and

physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein in each case the compound can be in the form of a mixture of enantiomers such as the racemate, or a mixture of diastereomers, or can be in the form of a single enantiomer or a single diastereomer.

9. (Original) A compound selected from:

(4S)-1-[2-(3-Chlorophenoxy)ethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[2-(4-Isopropylphenoxy)ethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-

pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-methylbenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-methylthiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(6-methylbenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-methoxybenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(6-Ethoxycarbonylbenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(6-trifluoromethoxybenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-tert-Butylthiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[2-(4-Isopropylphenylthio)ethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[2-(3-Chlorophenylthio)ethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[2-(2,3-Difluorophenoxy)ethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(2,3-Difluorophenyl)-N-(2-methylpropyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Isopropoxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Fluorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[2-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoliny)carbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[1-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinolinyl)carbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,,

(4S)-1-[N-(6-Fluorobenzothiazol-2-yl)-N-(methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[2-(Benzothiazol-2-yl)oxyethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[2-(6-Fluorobenzothiazol-2-yl)thioethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(6-Fluorobenzothiazol-2-yl)aminoethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone[,

(4S)-1-[N-(Benzothiazol-2-yl)aminoethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-N-[2-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)ethyl]-4-phenoxybenzamide,

(4S)-1-[N-(3-Fluorophenyl)-N-(methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Isopropylphenyl)-N-(methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3,4-Methylenedioxyphenyl)-N-(methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-methylthiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-tert-Butylphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(6-Chlorobenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-

tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-methyl-N-(thiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(Benzothiazol-2-yl)-N-(cyclopropylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(Indol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(Indan-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(5-Chlorothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-phenylthiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(6-methoxybenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-N-[2-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)ethyl]benzamide,
 (4S)-2,3-Difluoro-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-N-[2-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)ethyl]-benzamide,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-N-[2-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)ethyl]-4-methoxybenzamide,
 (4S)-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[2-(4-trifluoromethylphenoxy)ethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(5-Cyclopropyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(Benzothiazol-6-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(4-Ethoxycarbonylthiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(5-tert-Butyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-Cyclopropylmethyl-N-(6-fluorobenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-(2-oxo-2-phenylethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-(2-oxo-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl)-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(2,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3,5-Dimethoxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(2,2,3,3-tetrafluorobenzo-1,4-dioxan-6-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3,4-(Difluoromethylene)dioxyphenyl)-N-methylaminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3-Fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(1,4-Benzodioxan-6-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(2-Fluorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3,4-Difluorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Methanesulfonamidophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-(4-Fluorophenyl)thiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3-Fluoro-4-methylphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4,6-Difluorobenzothiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Carboxythiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4R)-1-[N-(3-Fluorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3S)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[2-(2-Fluorophenylthio)ethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[2-(3-Fluorophenylthio)ethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone [431.52 MW; 432.1 M+H],

(4S)-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[2-(4-methoxyphenylthio)ethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Carboxy-3-fluorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Ethanesulfonamidophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-Benzenesulfonamidophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-(4-Fluorobenzene)sulfonamidophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(2,3-Difluorobenzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(5-Cyclopropylmethyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(6-Ethylpyridin-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(3-Fluorobenzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-

tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(2-methylbenzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(4-Methanesulfonylbenzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(4-Aminosulfonylbenzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-1-[N-(Benzothiazol-2-yl)methylaminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(3-methylpyridin-2-yl)methylaminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-trifluoromethyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-pyridyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-(3-pyridyl)thiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-(2-pyridyl)thiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(4-(4-pyridyl)thiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-pyridyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-ethoxycarbonyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-methoxycarbonyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone
 (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(2-thienyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(2-thienylmethyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(2-propyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(2-pyrazinyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-methoxymethyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(2-tetrahydrofuranyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-aminosulfonyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-methoxyphenyloxymethyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-morpholinylcarbonylmethyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(1-piperidinylcarbonylmethyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(1-pyrrolidinylcarbonylmethyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-piperidinyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-(N-tertbutyloxycarbonyl)piperidinyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-1-[N-(2,3-Difluorophenylaminocarbonylmethyl)-4-(4-methoxy-3-(3R)-

tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-2-pyrrolidone

(4S)-4-(4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl)-1-[N-(4-ethoxycarbonylphenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone,

(4S)-1-[N-(4-tert-butyloxycarbonyl-3-fluorophenyl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-4-[4-methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuranyloxyphenyl]-2-pyrrolidone, and

physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein in each case the compound can be in the form of a mixture of enantiomers such as the racemate, or a mixture of diastereomers, or can be in the form of a single enantiomer or a single diastereomer.

10. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of Claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

11. (Original) A composition of claim 10, wherein the compound is provided in a unit dosage of 0.1 - 50 mg.

12. (Previously Presented) A method for effecting PDE4 enzyme inhibition, enhancing cognition and/or treating psychosis in a patient comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 1.

13. (Original) A method according to claim 12, wherein said compound is administered in an amount of 0.01-100 mg/kg of body weight/day.

14. (Original) A method according to claim 12, wherein said patient is a human.

15. (Original) A method of claim 12, wherein the patient is suffering from cognition impairment or decline.

16. (Original) A method according to claim 12, wherein said patient is suffering from memory impairment.

17. (Original) A method according to claim 16, wherein said patient is suffering from memory impairment due to Alzheimer's disease, schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, Pick's disease, Creutzfeld-Jakob disease, HIV, cardiovascular disease, head trauma or age-related cognitive decline.

18. (Original) A method according to claim 16, wherein said patient is suffering from memory impairment due to dementia.

19. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein said patient is suffering from memory impairment Alzheimer's disease, schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, Pick's disease, Creutzfeldt-Jakob ~~Creutzfeld-Jakob~~ disease, depression, aging, head trauma, stroke, CNS hypoxia, cerebral senility, multiinfarct dementia, an acute neuronal disease, HIV or a cardiovascular disease.

20. (Original) A method according to claim 12, wherein said patient is suffering from a psychosis.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20, wherein the psychosis is schizophrenia, bipolar or manic depression, major depression, drug addiction or morphine dependence.

22. (Previously Presented) A method for treating a patient having a disease involving decreased cAMP levels comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 1.

23. (Original) A method of claim 12, wherein the patient is treated to effect PDE4

enzyme inhibition.

24. (Previously Presented) A method of treating a patient suffering from an allergic or inflammatory disease comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 1.

25. (Original) A method of claim 24, wherein the patient is suffering from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

26. (Previously Presented) A method of treating a patient suffering from neurodegeneration resulting from a disease or injury comprising administering to said patient an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 1.

27. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein the disease or injury is stroke, spinal cord injury, neurogenesis, Alzheimer's disease, multiple sclerosis, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), or multiple system atrophy (MSA).

28. (New): A compound according to claim 9, wherein said compound is 4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuran-2-yl]phenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof, wherein the compound can be in the form of a mixture of enantiomers, or a mixture of diastereomers, or can be in the form of a single enantiomer or a single diastereomer.

29. (New): A compound according to claim 9, wherein said compound is (4S)-4-[4-Methoxy-3-(3R)-tetrahydrofuran-2-yl]phenyl]-1-[N-(5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)aminocarbonylmethyl]-2-pyrrolidone or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof.

30. (New): A compound according to claim 4, wherein R¹ is optionally substituted cyclopentyl, optionally substituted phenethyl, 3-tetrahydrofuryl, CHF₂, or cyclopropylmethyl.

31. (New): A compound according to claim 4, wherein R^2 is CHF_2 and CH_3 .
32. (New): A compound according to claim 4, wherein R^3 is $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{OR}^5$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{SR}^5$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{SO}_2\text{R}^4$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NR}^5\text{R}^6$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{R}^5$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{R}^5$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONR}^6\text{R}^5$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONHR}^5$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NR}^6\text{SO}_2\text{R}^4$, $-(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NR}^6\text{COR}^4$, or $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONHSO}_2\text{R}^4$.
33. (New): A compound according to claim 4, wherein R^3 is $\text{CH}_2\text{CONHR}^5$ or $\text{CH}_2\text{CONR}^6\text{R}^5$.
34. (New): A compound according to claim 33, wherein R^5 is 2-thiazolyl which is unsubstituted or substituted by F, Cl, CF_3 , methoxymethyl, isopropyl, isobutyl, t-butyl, , carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyclopropyl, cyclopropylmethyl, phenyl, pyridyl, piperidinyl, 3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl, thienyl, pyrazinyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, or thienylmethyl, or 1,3,4-thiadiazolyl which is unsubstituted or substituted by F, Cl, CF_3 , methyl, methoxymethyl, isopropyl, isobutyl, t-butyl, , carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyclopropyl, cyclopropylmethyl, phenyl, pyridyl, piperidinyl, 3,4-methylenedioxyphenyl, thienyl, pyrazinyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, or thienylmethyl.
35. (New): A compound according to claim 4, wherein R^1 is CHF_2 cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heterocyclic group, or heterocyclicalkyl group; R^2 is CH_3 or CHF_2 ; R^3 is $\text{CH}_2\text{CONHR}^5$; and R^5 is substituted or unsubstituted 1,3,4-thiadiazolyl.
36. (New): A compound according to claim 35, wherein R^1 is cyclopentyl, tetrahydrofuran, cyclopropylmethyl or CHF_2 .